

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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VAUGHN SCOTT, NIGERIA SCOTT, PRINCE SCOTT,
ANDREE HARRIS, BRENDA SCOTT, KRAIG UTLEY,
COREY MARROW, AS A MINOR CHILD, K.M., A
MINOR CHILD, and JULIAN RENE,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, et al.,

Defendants.

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DEPOSITION OF CAMILO ANTONINI

Mount Vernon, New York

November 18, 2015

1:42 p.m.

Reported By:
Cheryll Kerr, RPR, SHR
Job No. 41837

Camilo Antonini

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Deposition of Camilo Antonini, held at City
Hall, One Roosevelt Square, Mount Vernon, New
York, pursuant to Notice, before Cheryll Kerr,
RPR, SHR and Notary Public, in and for the State
of New York.

Q Okay, so you are unsure?

A I probably went somewhere, yes.

Q What is it in your memory that makes you

think you probably went somewhere?

A Because we were responding to a certain

location at that time.

Q Okay. What location was that?

A Somewhere on Second Avenue.

Q Okay.

When you say, "We were responding," who are the

"we" you were referring to?

A Myself and a couple of members of my

unit, I believe.

Q Do you recall the names --

A No.

Q -- of those members of your unit?

A No.

Q Okay.

What was the reason that you responded to that

location on Second Avenue?

A Officers was calling for assistance.

Q Other than the fact that the officers

were calling for assistance, were you told anything

else prior to responding to the location?

A No.

1 Q How long were you in that living room?

2 A Ten minutes, tops.

3 Q When you arrived in the living room, were
4 there other police officers there?

5 A Yes.

6 Q How many other police officers were
7 there?

8 A Don't recall.

9 Q Do you recall the names or identities of
10 any of those police officers?

11 A No.

12 Q When you arrived in the living room, how
13 many people, if any, were present who were not
14 police officers?

15 A Don't recall the number, but it was a
16 good amount.

17 Q Okay. Would it be more or less than
18 five?

19 A I would say more.

20 Q Would it be more or less than 10?

21 A About.

22 Q All right, so it would be about 10, you
23 think?

24 A Yes.

25 Q All right. Did you know any of the

1 civilians in that apartment?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Which civilians in that apartment did you

4 know?

5 A The ones that I have had previous

6 encounters with, which I have arrested in the past

7 for possession of drugs, gang affiliations, and

8 parties being investigated for shootings, narcotics,

9 those types of crime in the city.

10 Demetrius Royal King, James Haugh, Corey

11 Marrow, Julian Rene, Craig Utley, Prince Scott. I

12 can't recall somebody else.

13 I know there was another party, but I can't

14 remember his name.

15 Q So other than the people that you've

16 named and possibly an additional person that you

17 knew, whose name you can't recall right now, there

18 were no other civilians in that apartment that you

19 knew?

20 A There was a couple of females, but I

21 don't recall their names.

22 Q Did you know them before that date?

23 A No.

24 Q Okay. When you entered the living room,

25 did you receive any instructions from any of the

1 A No.

2 Q Were you required to ask permission to
3 leave?

4 A No.

5 Q During the period of time that you were
6 standing in the apartment, did you observe any
7 physical contact between any police officer and any
8 civilian?

9 A During the time I was there, no.

10 Q During the time you were there, did you
11 observe any police officers undertaking a search?

12 A No.

13 Q During the time you were there, did you
14 observe any civilians engaging in any conduct that
15 you believe to be illegal?

16 A No.

17 Q Do you recall -- other than with --

18 MR. THOMPSON: Withdrawn.

19 BY MR. THOMPSON:

20 Q Other than what you've testified to so
21 far today, is there anything you can tell me about
22 the reason why the police officers were at the
23 location that day?

24 A I think it was -- I think they were
25 investigating some shooting or something to that

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sort, yeah.

Q Okay. Do you know where the shooting

occurred?

(Pause)

THE WITNESS: If I --

I think -- it was Seventh and Third

Street, I think.

(Thereupon, an informal discussion

was held off the record.)

BY MR. THOMPSON:

Q Okay.

Do you know when it occurred in relation to the

time that you were at the apartment?

A No.

Q Okay.

Do you know whether any of the civilians in the

apartment were involved in the shooting?

A To my recollection, I...

(Pause)

THE WITNESS: Only after the fact I

found out that one of the guys that was

sitting there was shot.

BY MR. THOMPSON:

Q Do you recall how you found that out

after the fact?

1 A I think officers talking about it.

2 Q Okay.

3 Are you aware of any facts that would indicate
4 that any of the civilians in that apartment were
5 guilty of committing the shooting?

6 A No.

7 Q Were the civilians in that apartment free
8 to leave that apartment?

9 A I'm not sure. I mean, remember that I
10 was there for 10 minutes, and then I left.

11 Officers were there before. Officers was there
12 when I left, so...

13 Q Okay. You mentioned that there were
14 these six people that you were familiar with in the
15 apartment.

16 Let's begin with Prince Scott. What is your
17 knowledge of Prince Scott?

18 A From the Mount Vernon Police Narcotics
19 Unit. We work in conjunction with the Westchester
20 County Intel Center.

21 They provide us with up-to-date information of
22 all the gang activities throughout the whole county
23 of Westchester, including the City of Mount Vernon,
24 New York.

25 The six parties that I mentioned to you are all

1 part of a gang named the Gunners -- the Third Street
2 Gunners, okay, which all have been involved in
3 shootings throughout the city.

4 Prince Scott was just recently placed under
5 arrest for conducting illegal sales to an undercover
6 officer, so -- and Demetrius Royal King is currently
7 in jail for the same.

8 Craig Utley has been known for the same things,
9 selling narcotics, gang involvement. Corey Marrow
10 for the same thing. Julian Rene for the very same
11 thing.

12 In fact, as you know, the reason why the
13 officers were there during that time was for some
14 apparent incident of a shooting, which Julian Rene
15 was found to be shot in the ass, if I am not
16 mistaken.

17 James Haugh, which I also mentioned in that
18 list, was just recently shot about eight to nine
19 times, I believe, at the same location where all
20 these parties gathered, which is Third Avenue and
21 Third Street.

22 I mean, so far that's how much I know about
23 them.

24 Q Okay.

25 (Pause)

1 be inside that apartment, so to answer your
2 question, I think so, yes.

3 Q Okay.

4 So when someone is shot, how long does it
5 remain an ongoing crime?

6 A Until they find out that somebody was
7 shot.

8 Q Okay, so it can be an ongoing crime for
9 hours?

10 A I'm not sure.

11 Q I am trying to understand what your
12 understanding is, so --

13 A I know you are.

14 You have to remember that I was there for 10
15 minutes --

16 Q Okay.

17 A -- more or less.

18 Q All right, so you're --

19 MR. THOMPSON: Withdrawn.

20 BY MR. THOMPSON:

21 Q Are you trying to say that you're not
22 sure whether there were exigent circumstances or not
23 at that particular apartment?

24 A From what I observed, there was officers
25 at the scene, so I believe that -- I believe there

1 were.

2 Q What was the --

3 MR. THOMPSON: Withdrawn.

4 BY MR. THOMPSON:

5 Q Do you know what the exigent
6 circumstances were?

7 A Not until I found out later on what
8 transpired from officers being there.

9 Q Okay.

10 Other than what you've told me so far, what
11 else did you find out about what had happened?

12 A It's pretty much what we discussed, that
13 it so happened later on that there was somebody shot
14 at that apartment, which happened to be Julian Rene.

15 Q Okay.

16 Just to be clear, was it your understanding
17 that Julian Rene was shot in the apartment?

18 A I -- I don't think so, no.

19 Q Okay. Where was Julian Rene shot?

20 A In the ass, I think.

21 Q And what location within the City of
22 Mount Vernon was --

23 A Oh, I'm not sure.

24 Q Did police ever learn who shot him?

25 A Not sure.